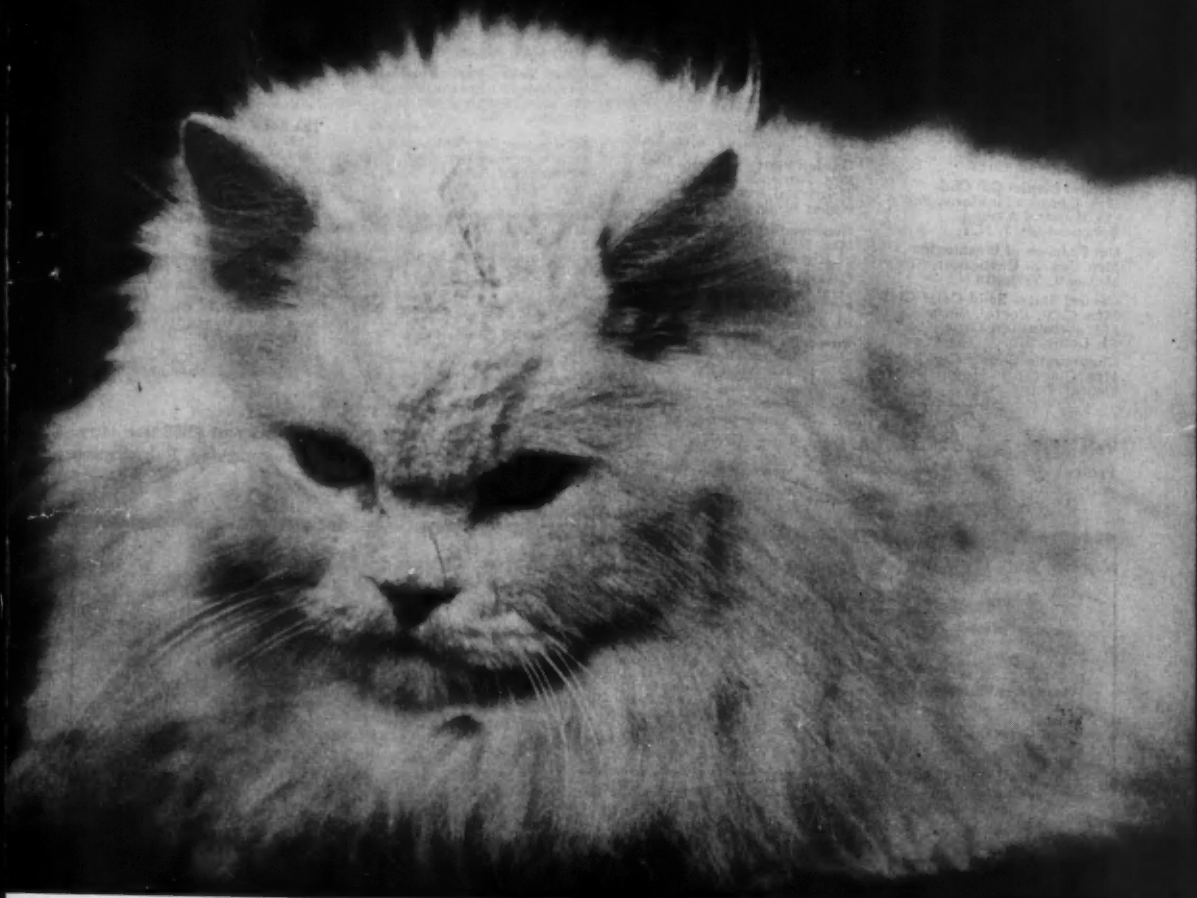


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(2) Publish two pages each month of cat pictures in color. Black and white get terrifically dull, and a spot of color is what is needed. Even the cover is plain. Many catteries would like their cats reproduced in color.

(3) The article of the Pittsburgh Cats (January 1947) should have been illustrated. Why not illustrate such articles hereafter?

BARBARA ALEXANDER
Charleston, Ill.

(Editor's Note — A photography contest is planned for the future, just as soon as the All-America cattery is established. (2) Color photo reproduction cannot financially be undertaken by a publication with less than one-half million circulation. (3) Article on Pittsburgh Cats received without illustrations. We desire all articles to be illustrated but when pictures failed to be included with manuscript there is nothing we can do.)

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PUBLICITY

Cover pictures of several previously issued *Cats Magazine* will be used to illustrate the revised cat section of the American Educator Encyclopedia, the 10-volume set of reference books used in schools and homes. We feel this to be an honor for our publication as well as a generation of publicity for the lucky owners of the cats that graced our covers.

If you like CATS MAGAZINE pass the good word along.

U. S. ESTABLISHES CANNED PET FOOD INSPECTION AID

Canned foods prepared for dogs, cats, and other meat-eating animals may now receive Federal inspection, when packers request and pay for this service, the U. S. Department of Agriculture announced in November. The inspection service, being made available at the request of industry representatives, includes supervision over sanitary conditions in the plant, the ingredients that go into the can, accurate labeling, and various other steps of preparation.

The Department of Agriculture has issued rules and regulations which provide for the inspection and certification under authority of the Research and Marketing Act of 1946, enacted by Congress in August. The new service applies to "canned wet food for dogs, cats, and other carnivora," as distinguished from dry foods such as dog biscuits. To obtain Government certification, the canned product must be "a normal maintenance food," containing at least 10 per cent protein, 0.3 per cent of calcium and phosphorus, respectively, and 0.15 milligram of thiamin, an essential vitamin. At least 30 per cent of the product must be meat or meat by-product. Vegetables, grains, or substances derived from them must be of good quality, sound and clean.

Besides containing the name and address of the packer, the label must give the ingredients in the product in the order of their predominance. For further identification, the inspection number that the Department gives each plant must appear on the label. As evidence of U. S. approval, products that meet all official requirements are to be marked with an inspection and certification stamp in the form of a keystone, a design prepared especially for the purpose.

The inspection service is to be administered by the Department's Bureau of Animal Industry, through an Animal Foods Inspection Division. The Department's action in providing such inspection is based on a request and subsequent discussions by members of the American Meat Institute in behalf of canners of animal foods. The manufacture of this class of product now constitutes a large industry for which the establishment of uniform and dependable standards has become desirable.



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2. Q. What is a "self"? Mrs. V. E., Bennington, Vt.
A. The English term for a solid colored cat.
3. Q. Do you publish other magazines? J. M., St. Hyacinthe, Que., Canada.
A. Not yet.
4. Q. What is the United Cat Federation? B. C., San Francisco, Calif.
A. Reported to be a newly organized association formed on the West Coast last year. CATS MAGAZINE has no other information.
5. Q. What assigned area is the State of Texas listed in the All-America? D. E., Austin, Tex.
A. All-Southern. Later perhaps if Texas, Arkansas, Oklahoma and New Mexico organize clubs and stage at least three shows in the combined four states, a separate All-Southwestern will be assigned.

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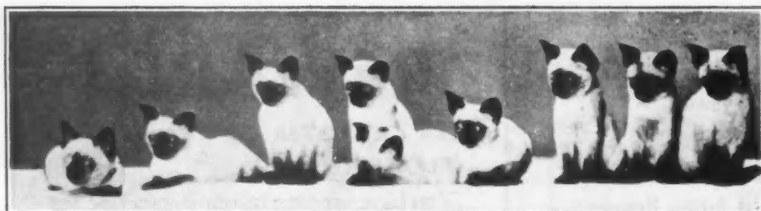
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PURPOSE

The recently organized Mohawk Valley Cat Club has a purpose that we believe should be passed on to other clubs for their consideration. This is to correct any misstatements or erroneous stories that are published in the daily press.

As an example, a newspaper published a story recently that a woman was attacked and bitten by a cat. Since the alleged attack occurred in the Mohawk Valley, the club appointed a member to investigate. As the club members expected, the original story was completely wrong. The correction was made promptly and the stock of The Cat in the area where the particular newspaper circulates rose several notches.

Naturally the correction was credited to the Mohawk Valley Cat Club and resulted in excellent publicity for the organization which in turn added several new members to the group.

Derogatory stories about The Cat are common occurrences in newspapers. Items are found constantly and should be corrected immediately, if the facts are untrue, which, in the majority of instances is the case. We feel such a purpose should be the prime factor of every cat club. By such action, the city editor of the newspaper will appreciate the efforts to which you have gone, and when the day arrives for an extra blurb or two concerning your forthcoming cat show, he won't forget that either.

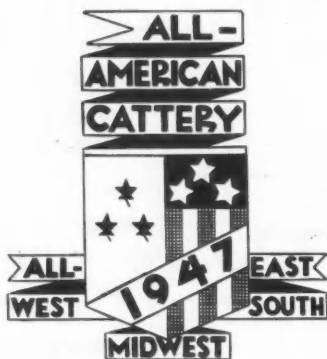
CANDIDATE

January's candidate for the 1947 *Cats Magazine* Award goes to Mr. Daniel Tranquille, ace photographer of *The Utica (N.Y.) Observer-Dispatch* for his page of pictures titled "Fur and Fun in the Dark Room" published in the Sunday edition, dated January 12.

This is a full page of pictures depicting a short-haired domestic scampering about in Mr. Tranquille's office, with studies of the kitten nosing about the film, the typewriter and the other elements that go to make up a well-stocked newspaper photographer's office. *The Observer-Dispatch* must come in for its share of the honors for its excellent editorial titled Growing Cat Center, developed quite possibly by the intense action and interest shown by the Mohawk Valley Cat Club. Cat photos are a constant feature of the pages of this exceptionally fine newspaper.

INSIGNIA

Herewith is published the insignia of the 1947 All-America Cattery. How do you like it? You will note that the All-Canadian inscription does not appear. This is because the one Canadian show this season is included in the All-Eastern section. It is hoped next year, however, that there will be sufficient Canadian shows, namely three, to add the inscription to the 1948 insignia. It is planned to incorporate the insignia in the button of the All-America rosettes and on the certificates of award. Breeders who are successful in placing on the All-America with their competing entries may secure a tiny replica to be used with their show catalog adver-



tising and stationery at a very nominal cost. Insignias likewise, have been designed for each section.

If sufficient interest is shown, we hope to make arrangements with a large jewelry concern for the casting of All-America pins or brooches. Don't write now. Wait until you cat WINS a place on the 1947 All-America.

SORRY

We have received many requests to publish once again the All-Star issue of *Cats Magazine*. This is impossible, since we definitely do not have the paper for such a souvenir at this time. We believe, however, that many exhibitors should take advantage of the sectional issues of the All-America, listed above.

Since the All-America has come into being, the novelty of all All-Star (or hall of fame) issue has been eliminated. The All-America issue published in July is the ONE AND ONLY.

PLEASE

The following is the revised schedule for the All-America and the sectional selections:

March — All Canadian.

April — All-Eastern.

May — All-Midwestern.

June — All-Southern and All-Western.

July — All-America and Cat of the Year.

Club or Show Secretaries are urged to forward the following carefully-marked catalogs (with absent cats lined out), which have not as yet been received.

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All-Southern — Norfolk and St. Petersburg.

All-Western — Rose City (Siamese Specialty), L. A. All-Breed ACA, California Cat Club, Angel City Cat Fanciers, Pacific Cat Fanciers (CFF), Long Beach and Honolulu.

Please forward immediately together with bill for same to *Cats Magazine*. The interest in the All-America and its sectional selections is very high. Please do not disappoint the many exhibitors at your show by holding off. It takes considerable time and effort to rate all winners in each show. We believe you owe it to the exhibitors at your show to return marked catalogs to us immediately following the show.

SOUTHWARD

Interest in cats in South America is on the upswing. A strong "cat colony" is asserting itself in Peru and may soon organize and affiliate itself with one of the national associations.

We are noticing an increasing interest in South America by reason of subscription returns. Already we have completed arrangements for a series of articles on cats in South America by a recognized authority who has travelled throughout that vast continent with her American-born Siamese cat.

Several breeders have regular customers in Central and South America, including Mrs. Florence Kemmer of Bradenton, Fla., and Mrs. C. C. Strange of El Paso, Texas. We are unable to ascertain what breed is the most popular in the countries south of us, but if our future South America correspondent has anything to say about it, we know it will prove to be interesting information.

Six-Color Male Short-Hair Exhibited in Oregon

RARE SPECIMEN EXAMINED BY EXPERTS

A six-color male cat, a very rare specimen, has been found in Oregon. In fact, it was shown at the Rose City Cat Club (ACA) exhibit in December.

The feline is a five-months old kitten and is owned by Mrs. Mabel Boultell of Portland, Oregon, and was exhibited in the A.O.C. (Any Other Color) class at the show.

"Tuffy" is not a male tortoiseshell, but is believed to be a distinct color variety of its own. Since a tortie has three colors — black, cream and red, this kitten has SIX distinct colors, black, cream, red, blue, gray and white.

According to information learned from Mr. Philip Jacobs of Monrovia, Calif., judge of the Rose City show, this kitten resembles in many ways the so-called "dutch cat" that has often been found in the New England area. The "dutch cats" are those with two or three colors and "dutch rabbit markings in the white splotches of the coat. Hence, the name of "dutch cat."

The fact that this kitten is a male, apparently makes it extremely rare. At the show it appeared to be in perfect health, according to Dr. H. L. Fairchild, who examined "Tuffy."

Tortie males are extremely rare, although they have been exhibited several times in the United States and England. All are sterile and usually die shortly after birth. Last such male tortoiseshell to be exhibited in America was that one introduced by Dr. Joseph C. Thompson of San Francisco several years ago. This is the same Dr. Thompson who imported the Burmese cat in America.

Soon after the turn of the century,

Barnum & Bailey, the famous circus people, offered a prize of \$500 (Five Hundred Dollars) to anyone who could raise a three-colored male cat. The announcement was made on huge posters that were plastered on barns and other buildings along the country side in the area where the circus was staged. It is not known if the standing offer was ever won. In the last few years this story has been passed on with the total amount of the prize award augmented many times.

A similar offer reported to have been made by someone in England, the award totaling several thousand pounds. The offer later proved to be a hoax.

First male tortie recorded as being shown took place at the Crystal Palace Show in London in 1871. A Mr. Smith was the exhibitor of this specimen.

The Oregon multi-colored domestic shorthair Tuffy, was born August 1,

1946, one of a litter of four. The other kittens are a female (black, white and red); a female (red and white); and a male (red and white). The kittens have hazel eyes, a characteristic of the tortoiseshell.

The sire is a black and white, and the mother-cat red, black and white (similar to the "dutch cat" explained previously).

HAIR BALLS

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By RITA SWENSON

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It is easy to spoil a young stud so the novice finding herself in possession of an unproven youngster should exercise caution in caring for him. Plenty of good food, sanitary quarters and adequate means for exercise should be provided, because these three essentials contribute in such a large measure to his health and interest in life.

The stud cat's quarters should be as roomy as space will permit. No stud can remain in vigorous form if housed in a cramped pen or fed on inferior scraps of food. When a stud is permitted to become run down, his offspring reflect his own miserable condition.

A stud cat requires two good meals a day of either horse meat or beef. Some studs, whose services are much in demand, require a third meal and this may be kibbled biscuit mixed with gravy or beef broth. A raw beaten egg may be given as a treat and this serves as a splendid "pick-me-up." Vitamins should be added to the daily bill of fare. In my own cattery, the vitamins are added at the morning meal.

A generously proportioned exercise pen should be provided. And do not attempt to pen two studs together. Unproven studs may not feud at first but after a cat has sired he intensely dislikes other studs. In fine weather a stud cat spends the greatest share of his time in the exercise pen and this is why a large pen is needed. For the sake of companionship, one or two large male kittens may be permitted to run with

the stud. Most studs enjoy the company of the youngsters and often forget their dignity and join with the kittens in frisking about.

One should keep the stud's quarters scrupulously clean. Due to the fact that males spray, neglect will speedily result in a messy, evil-smelling cattery. By scrubbing frequently, odors can be kept down.

In selecting a kitten to raise for stud, novices must bear in mind the fact that young kittens do not show their points as well as older ones. But a safe rule to follow in buying a kit for stud is to select one from the best bloodlines possible. The stud need not be a show cat provided he comes of a strain that is known to produce show cats. So often a cat that is a complete failure in the shows, proves its value as a sire. Prepotency in a stud is the quality every breeder hopes her cat will possess, providing, of course, the cat is prepotent in the right way.

Often new breeders become discouraged when their male does not prove himself by two years of age. No two cats are exactly alike and while some may sire at a little over a year of age, others may not sire before they are three or even four. Wheat germ will sometimes hasten the awakening provided the cat is otherwise healthy. Colds, drafts, and dampness should be avoided for they have been known to spoil a young stud for life.

The stud cat is a good investment but like every other investment must be handled intelligently for best results.

SCREEN WINDOWS

Those living in apartment houses who wish to own a cat, should take the necessary precautions to have the windows screened. Cats are not that clever that they will not fall off the ledge.

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Black Male Wins at Beresford Show

Revington Entries Sweep to Double at Atlanta

Although seriously handicapped by the coal strike and inclement weather conditions, including snow, fog and ice, early December shows proved to be huge successes although the full quota in the record-breaking entry list was lacking, due primarily to labor conditions.

Three blue males carried off Best Cat awards, and a black, a cream and an orange-eye white male were tops in three other events. A chinchilla female scored in another exhibition, and a seal point female won Best in a Siamese specialty.

At the Cleveland Persian Society event held at the huge Forest City's auditorium, Chally Blue Boy, male blue, owned by Mrs. Walter Meyers, Grosse Point Park, Michigan was the victor. He was a popular choice among the spectators. Chally Blue Boy is sired by Beau Barry of the Towers ex Cartha's Gloria June. The event was staged during the coal strike and many an out of town entry was scratched because of this setback. The Cleveland Persian Society Show, however, was a financial success, thanks to the excellent help provided by the radio and local press. The event was expertly handled by Mrs. Walter E. Limpert of Mentor, Ohio, who received word during the affair that her mother had suddenly passed away.

Ch. Dixi-Land's Pearl Harbor York, blue male, owned by Mrs. J. H. Revington, Bristol, Tennessee, topped a strong field to win the Solid Color Club of the South Best, which was held in conjunction with the Cotton States Show at Atlanta, Georgia. York was sired by Ch. Pearl Harbor's Yankee Doodle ex Pearl Harbor's Dixi-Land's Jewel. In the Cotton States competition, Mrs. Revington's Dixi-Land's White Historian II, an orange-eye white male, carried Best. This fine cat which will probably win All-Southern honors in its class this year, is the son of Gr. Ch. Dixi-Land's White Historian out of Dixi-Land's Angel's Imp.

The blue male, Nicholas of Wayside Blues won the Rose City Club show

Best at Portland, Oregon. This fine cat, one of a group of excellent blues shown by Wayside, is owned by Mrs. W. K. Whitaker, Kent, Washington. The Rose City event had a large entry from Seattle, due perhaps to the fact that the Seattle Club was forced to cancel out its exhibition at the last minute. The eight-month-old seal point female in the Siamese Specialty staged in conjunction with the Portland show, was Ming Yeng, owned by Mrs. Leora Franks. The Portland All Breed was judged by Philip Jacobs, Monrovia, Calif., with Mrs. Helen Fairchild handling the specialty.

At the traditional annual Beresford Show, Cinders of White Lawn, a black male, owned by Mrs. W. E. Kauffman, Canton, Ohio was the winner, in an exhibition handicapped severely by the coal strike. Cinders' victory is not surprising when you learn that he was sired by the great import, Dbl. Ch. Great Lakes Basilidon Talisman out of the illustrious dam, Ch. Susie "Q" of Gray Haven. The spectacular Beresford win places Cinders in the top spot among the blacks for one of two places on the All-America, and most certainly at the top of the list in the All-Midwestern. However, later showings and returns may cause a change.

Ch. Daybreak of Plumfield, the cream male owned by Mrs. Mabel A. Lafayette, Arlington Heights, Mass., regarded by many as one of the nation's greatest cats, scored a repeat victory at the Empire Cat Club Show in New York City. The victory was a brilliant one and should bring about more interest than ever in cream stock in the East. Daybreak was sired by the great Dbl. Ch. Plumfield's Pat Hand from Mizpah of Plumfield, so it is easily understood why this fine cream can stand up against the strongest competition in the country today. He is an odds on choice to be near or at the top in his remaining competition the balance of the season.

Keystone Cat Club presented the female chinchilla, Baile Fan Bright Eyes, owned by Mrs. H. E. Nack, Willow Grove, Pa. as top cat. The chin stole the play from several strong blues, with the result that the win may provide an upsurge in this class in Philadelphia. The winner is the daughter of a pair

of well-known champions in Ch. Kute Kit Delphia Prince Djali ex Ch. Baile Fan Duchess.

The early December shows contributed (Continued on Page 20)

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SIAMESE

BREEDING FOR TYPE

By HELEN G. FAIRCHILD

Siamese cats as we breed them today are of two main classes, the seal point and the blue point. The blue point, a "sport" will sometimes appear in litters of seal point parents. These are favored by some breeders. A blue point cat that is bred for type is truly a beautiful animal.

Some breeders point out that blue point Siamese should be cultivated for that particular type and breed to blues of other blood lines to improve the strain instead of crossing them with seal point Siamese. Others hold to the belief that the cross with seal point is best. However, the seal point kittens in a litter of crosses will too often tend to have "slate" colored coats instead of the warm cream or fawn colors we strive so hard to obtain in true seal point Siamese breeding.

We are working all the time for improvement in the Siamese as a breed and are trying to meet the qualifications as set by the show standard and believe that certain points stand out in achieving that goal:

1. Avoid crossing seal point and blue point Siamese if breeding for the seal points for the reason stated above.

2. Avoid "in-breeding" or in other words mating a brother and sister of a litter or other closely related cats.

3. Line breeding should be used only after much experience in selection of certain features that should be given to kittens. For instance, eye color, eye set, or the shape of the head may be improved by breeding daughter back to father or son to mother.

4. Select, if possible, a stud of entirely different blood lines than your queen and one that is of good type and that has certain good features lacking in your queen. You must be honest with yourself in this and consciously admit the faults your queen has. When you have cold bloodedly admitted what they are, set out to find a male that has qualities that will tend to counteract her deficiencies. If your queen has a head that is not quite perfect, comb the territory for a stud cat that is outstanding in that particular. Is your female too dark in coat? Look for a light coated male. Are her eyes too round? There must be a male somewhere with true Oriental slant!

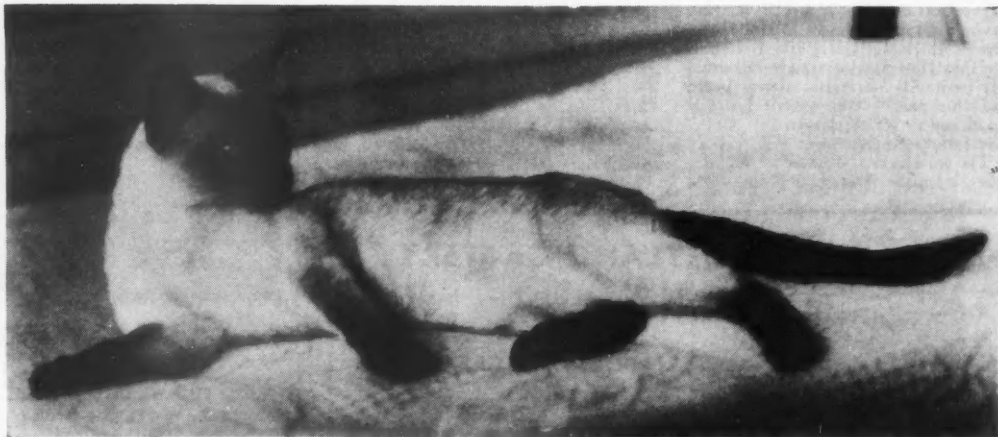
5. Breeding for type means little if kittens are not properly fed as body structure and good features develop only in well fed kittens. A poorly developed kitten will never make a fine cat. The Siamese more than any other breed seem to have an inherent vitamin deficiency. This can only be remedied by use of cod liver oil and brewers yeast tablets given every day. These supply vitamins A and D and B and G which are found in small amounts only in the cats' natural food. The yeast makes for good muscle tone and makes the Siamese stand up in the rear as the Standard calls for and the cod liver oil does much for coats as well as bone development.

Emphasis at the Cat Shows is being placed on cats of good condition, having "warm" fawn colored coats in the Seal Point Siamese with good dense

points. The tail should be long, straight, and tapered at the end. The eyes, oriental slant in set and deep blue in color. The show standard specifically states that there should be no tendency to squint. "Squint," technically, is a condition in which binocular fixation is impossible. Fixation is maintained with one eye or the other but never with both at the same time. In other words, "cross-eyed." One often sees a cat which, at first glance, appears cross-eyed, but on closer inspection finds that it has such an oriental slant to the eyes that the pupil of the eye is forced slightly off center. This is to be commended in the Siamese rather than censured.

We should breed away from the round eyed or "owl-eyed" Siamese. Although, here again, first glances are sometimes deceiving. The true eye set of a cat can only be perceived on the "blink" or with eyes half-closed as nearly all Siamese are so alert that they hold their eyes wide open when awake and interested in surroundings. We should also strive for better heads—wedge shaped with flattened forehead, instead of prominent, rounded forehead.

One of the most fascinating things in the world is to try your hand at making an ideal come true. And if you ever have the thrill of having a judge point out a cat that you have bred after careful study and planning—even if it does take three or four generations—and tell a show audience that it is a "good, typey Siamese with excellent points," you will know what we mean!



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HEAVY SHOW SEASON BOWS OUT WITH EARLY FEBRUARY WINDUP

Windup of the show season is scheduled for February with two shows on the boards. These are the Angel City Cat Fanciers (CFA) set for Los Angeles, Feb. 1-2, and the North Shore Cat Club (CFA) event listed for Chicago Feb. 8-9.

A third show at the end of January, the Long Island Cat Breeders Club (CFF), too late to be included in the January roundup, is booked for Hempstead, N.Y., Jan. 29-30.

The North Shore Cat Club is the first annual championship event to be staged by this group. The exhibition is listed for the Central Masonic Temple, 912 N. La Salle Street, and should attract nearly every show-minded breeder and exhibitor of the Midwest. Entries

closed January 25, but full information may be obtained from Miss Alice Crawford, 211 E. Ontario St., Chicago 11, Ill.

Mrs. C. F. Rotter of Minneapolis is the judge with Mrs. Maude Harding, president of the club, acting as show manager. Ralph Mangold has been conducting an excellent campaign in the promotion of the affair and this should react nicely at the gate. A professional publicist in his own right, Mr. Mangold's untiring efforts is expected to assert themselves at this show.

The third annual Cat Breeders Club

SHOW CALENDAR

Feb. 1-2—Angel City Cat Fanciers, Los Angeles, Calif. (CFA).

Feb. 8-9—North Shore Cat Club, Chicago, Ill. (CFA).

March 22-23—New Orleans Cat Show, New Orleans, La. (ACA).

March 22-23—Siamese Society of America, New Orleans, La. (ACA).

show is scheduled for the Hempstead Elks Club House, Fulton Ave., Hempstead with Mrs. Mabel A. Lafayette of Arlington Heights as judge. Mrs. Lafayette recently judged the Badger Feline Society's show in Milwaukee, the first CFF event to have been staged in the midwest.

A feature of the Long Island show is the special event to be held for school children. Mrs. Silas H. Andrews was the judge of this show.

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Los Gatos is a community in California. Los Gatos is Spanish for The Cats.

What then would be more novel and sensational from a cultural and civic-minded point of view for all the good people of Los Gatos, than to stage an elaborate pageant in which the entire community takes part.

Los Gatos did this very thing last September. It staged a pageant, appropriately titled, "The Cats." The event was headed by Dean Jennings, nationally known journalist. Bill Van Vleck directed the pageant, with James L. Lightner in charge of music, and Carol Singer, dance director.

Among the sponsors were Yehudi Menuhin, Mrs. Kathleen Norris, who also was in the cast, Olivia De Havilland, Joan Fontaine, Dr. Louis Mendelsohn and many other nationally-known personalities. A Pageant chorus of 75 and an orchestra of 50 under the direction of Mr. Lightner, illustrate the magnitude of the event.

Synopsis of "The Cats," a fantasy about the naming of the town of Los Gatos, follows

ACT I (Prologue)

This is a story that opens in Hell. The macabre scene is lit with a flickering, ruddy light. Shadowy figures in gleaming smoky garments move in despairing trains. The air is filled with an eerie song, suggesting sadness, eternal despair. Small devils carrying forks pass among the shifting figures, prodding them on.

In the sullen light at the rear of the stage, a man and women are seen, chained to posts. They writhe and suffer, less in pain than in mental anguish.

Satan appears in a flash of light. He, too, is in a blue funk, and all Hell is concerned. The Devil is tired of it all, tired of the heat, complaining people, and the dull places he has to go.

Suddenly a young devil has a bright idea Satan shall get a black cat. It shall walk in front of him and keep him from going places and seeing things, for as everyone knows, to have a black cat cross your path is bad luck. Satan is about to reward the junior devil with a big badge of merit when the awful fact is revealed: there are no cats in Hell! no cats at all.

But the Devil isn't stumped; he can make a pair. And he does: just one pair. But there was something the Devil forgot. Every Cat has nine lives.

First there are two cats, then eighteen, then thirty-six. Soon all Hell is full of cats. The Devil is in a fine fix: he can't go anywhere because the cats

are in his way. Black cats. He simply has to get rid of those cats.

He calls them all together and tells them he is sending them out into the world to make a name for themselves. He hopes they'll do well, but if they don't succeed, they'll have to come back to Hell to live forever. Privately, the Devil hopes he's seen the last of them, and that they'll never come back.



Kathleen Norris as Mama Cat

So they go out: some go to Siam, some to Persia. One pair stops off in Malta and become Maltese Cats. Another couple goes to the Isle of Man, where they lose their tails. The sailors there are so sorry for them they make Manx cats their mascots. Some go to England, France and India... a few hitchhike to America.

The Devil is delighted when they have gone; he hopes they won't make a mess of things so that he will have to take them back. He calls the younger devils and they all vanish in a flash of fire.

ACT II

The Act opens again in Hell; soft lights show big rocks and occasional puffs of smoke and small flames. Junior devils are sprawled about the scene; Satan himself, in the center of the stage is asleep, and so are all the smaller devils.

It is Judgment Day for the Cats. Time has melted into eternity and the Cats have come back to give a report to the Devil. They are coming out of all

the corners of the earth, out of story books, out of children's dreams, out of the bright pages of fable and fact.

Some are early, some are late, but it doesn't matter for the Devil is already in a bad mood and sleepy. The Manx Cat is the first to arrive. He is followed by a kindly Rabbit who offers him a bite of a big yellow carrot, but the Manx angrily motions him to mind his own business. Crazy Kat and Dingbat, the singing cat, also make their appearance here.

The Devil is awakened. He yawns and stretches and begins jabbing and poking the junior devils awake.

Now he stands in the center of the scene and begins to give orders:

A big book is carried in: on its cover are large letters: "WHO'S WHO IN CATS." The Devil sticks down on a big rock and the pages begin to turn.

First out of the pages come the Hep Cats. But the Devil sticks his fingers in his ears; he cannot endure their gyrations and their noise.

Next from the book comes "Puss 'N Boots." This famous Cat, with a Miller, a King and Queen and a Princess, a very wicked Ogre, and a Marquis, enact a fairy tale romance with a modern nuance.

The Three Little Kittens, who lost their Mittens and so began to cry, come next, with their Mama Cat. There is a beautiful Catnip Pie in this story, which the Mittens eat! Who ever heard of Mittens eating Pie!

Another Page is turned and out come "Alice and The Cheshire Cat." "A grin without a cat," says Alice. "I must write Mr. Ripley about that."

Alice has wandered into a scene where people are waiting to have their heads chopped off. As their heads roll on the ground, the beheaded shake hands gracefully with the executioner and wander off.

Alice is looking around fearfully, when from the nearest tree the Cheshire Cat appears. He comforts Alice and urges her never to lose her head in an emergency. The Headless are enjoying a dance, throwing their heads at the Executioner, when the King of Hearts walks in. He is offended at the freedom and independence of the Cheshire Cat. But Alice assures him:

"A Cat may look at a king,
in democracy that's the thing."

The Queen of Hearts enters and insists at once: "Off with his head!" The Executioner is summoned.

A delicate point develops: can you cut a head from a body, when there's no body to cut it from, even a Cat's?



Miss Metz Carl as The Cheshire Cat takes things in her own hands



Diane Donovan as Puss 'N Boots and Bill Balch as The Ogre

The Cheshire Cat solves it by vanishing. As the disappointed Queen looks thoughtfully at Alice, the little girl spins around suddenly and scuttles away.

ACT III

Time: 1839. The place: the rugged, primitive foothill country around which is now Los Gatos. A clearing in a circle of trees. It is not quite dawn and shadowy figures are moving in the grey mist in the forest of Cats. It is a Happy Kingdom of the Cats where life is primitive and idyllic, a place that lives forever in the dreams and imagination of the young.

Into this lively, quiet spot are suddenly injected the sounds of hoof beats and men's voices. The startled Cats leave their work and play and scatter into the woods.

At last men and women appear, the Indians of early California. They proceed cautiously as though they were stalking something. They are followed immediately by a group of horsemen: Jose Hernandez, a bronzed, swarthy man about 50 years old; his wife and other women of the family, his brother, James Hernandez, a younger man, and Jose's brother-in-law, Gabriel Sebian. With them are pack horses loaded with tents and supplies. They set up camp.

Jose has lived in the pueblo of San Jose with his family. But now he wants room, room to stretch his soul and land to work with his hands. He has often looked at the far-off hills and desired to know what lay in their unknown depths. Now he has come with Indian

guides to aid him.

Jose is enchanted with the peace and friendliness of the hills. He calls his brother and speaks his mind: "All my life I have searched and at last I have found it. But there is only one thing . . . and I am afraid to speak of it!"

There is no water. And without water there can be no new home.

Suddenly at the top of the clearing there is a hissing and snarling. Two wildcats thresh into view, fighting and wrestling. Gabriel reaches for his gun, but Jose prevents him from killing the animals.

Then an Indian guide rushes up. "Where you find cats," he announces, "you find water in the air. I taste water on my lips. I hear distant water in my ears . . . I will go!"

The guide follows the retreating wildcats and suddenly there is a cry: "Senor . . . Water . . . agua!"

From the rugged rocks a gleaming waterfall rushes down in many shades of color. It tumbles down through the trees in clear life-giving beauty. A man's faith is rewarded: Jose Hernandez sinks to his knees to give thanks to God.

Jose Hernandez then marks a spot on the ground and raises his arms: "I name this place Rinconada fe Los Gatos — the little corner of the cats." That was the birth of Los Gatos a century ago.

And now the Cats come back from their hiding places in the woods. They dance around the fire with their new friends on a Day to Remember, a hun-

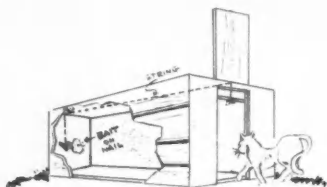
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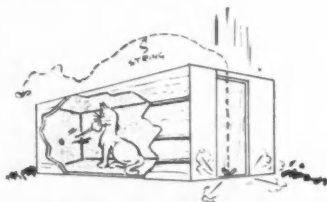
HAWAII EMPLOYS NOVEL CAT TRAP TO BAG STRAYS

The Hawaiian Humane Society has devised a trap to catch stray cats. About 15 are captured each month by the use of this trap.

Every community of any size has a large stray cat population. The average person who is bothered by the nocturnal serenades has no conception of the number of surplus cats—many of them pathetic, unwanted, sick and mangy creatures. Statistics, when available are often startling, but in the case of animals—shocking. According to information contained in the annual report of the Hawaiian Humane Society, a total of 962 cats were taken in and cared for during the month of May 1946 in Honolulu. In June, 912 was the total, and the staggering count of 1,313 was listed for July of that year. Only 13 cats were placed in new homes that July.

Reason there is a surplus of cats, according to the Hawaiian report, is that most owners of female cats keep all the kittens until after they are weaned although they know from past experience that it is very difficult to get good homes for them. The result is, in most cases, that the kittens are given away to anyone who asks for them, regardless of the condition of the homes where they are taken. Those who do not find homes are often kept until they are no longer "cute"; then they wander off to forage for themselves and breed other litters of kittens two or three times a year.

If every owner of a female cat would keep just one male kitten of each litter, and take, or send the rest, as soon as they are born, to the local Humane Society to be humanely put away, the surplus of cats would soon be decreased, and those remaining would receive better care.



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It all started with "Mr. Smith." He is our daughter's big black and white neuter who came to stay with us for the "duration." We used to feel sorry for poor Mr. Smith, all alone and no cat to play with. At the Rose City Cat Club's 1944 show Mr. Knight said, "I've always wanted a Siamese. Let's buy a playmate for our boarder."

We came home with Tinker Bell, aged three months. Tinker grew faster than we realized and before we knew it she had taken a husband of her own choosing. To prevent a recurrence of hybrids, we bought Peter Puss, a nice young male. We had no knowledge of cat diseases, so we boarded our cat family while having our house renovated. To our sorrow, we found we had brought home a very sick and delapidated looking Tinker Bell and a dead Peter Puss. We could have been awfully discouraged and might also have buried Knight's Kattery. However, we had raised enough assorted stock in our lives to know that when you raise animals you must expect some losses. We telephoned California in search of a new male. He arrived in the person of Knight's Miguel (Mike to us), a promising year old male, the grandson of Champion Sam Peng of San Gabriel.

The first litter was a real thrill, five males and two females. From this group we kept Knight's Cissie who later took Best Short-Hair and Best Siamese at the 1945 Portland Cat Show (ACA). There is no thrill like the thrill of a show win. It is great compensation for all the hard work and sleepless nights that goes with raising cats. The drudgery of cleaning pans and scrubbing floors are suddenly offset by the pleasure and satisfaction of reward.

Next we purchased dainty little female, Fairchild's Wendy, an April 1945 female. She is smooth and sleek, aristocratic looking like her mother, Champion Nyima; graceful in line like her father, Patch Perwa. Wendy doesn't believe in large families. She has them in threes and fours.

We acquired a Blue Point, Rosedere Lotus Bud (nicknamed Sal), a beautiful but strange female. She only likes Sal. Her idea of cat heaven is a house with no other cats. When one arrives, Sal goes into action. But get her alone in the living room and she is all rolls, purrs and sweetness. Sal went winners Blue Point female, Best Siamese and Best Short-Hair this year.

Suki-Bu next came to live with us. She is out of our Mike and Newton's

Major Nanki Bu. Her mother is out of Ch. Oriental Nanki Pooh of Newton (Imp.) and Ch. Newton's Jay Tee. Suki Bu went Winners Female at Portland.

Our Kattery would not be complete without the "boys from Denver." Two outstanding males with typey heads, large pricked ears and the longest whip tails you ever saw. We call them Tommy Tucker and Peter Piper, litter brothers out of Kyaac of Valhalla and Tremunith Montgomery. Peter Piper was winners male at both the Siamese Specialty and the All Breed show in Portland. With the idea of raising colored Blue Points, we bought Blue Belle Casa de Gatos.

Our first Abyssinian stock is Fairchild's Kaschew, a lively number.

From our experience in raising cats, we have arrived at the following disjointed conclusions picked at random:

Be clean to be healthy. Scrub all pans twice daily with Purex and hot water. Wash floors ditto at least once a week—oftener if you can find time.

Brush your cats often as this removes surplus hair and keeps hairballs from forming. Feed a generous gob of vaseline once a week.

Fleas and worms are your worst enemies. Tiny babies even can be carried off by infection caused by the combination of these two. Our worst enemy has been the stomach worm. A cat or kitten whose resistance has been lowered by worms can turn up with most any disease at a moment's notice. We never worm our grown cats at home. It is safer in the hands of veterinarian. However, we often worm tiny kittens successfully by weighing the kitten and having the vet give us the prescribed dose. However, when you worm at home, always follow an hour later with an enema of luke warm water saturated with a small amount of baking soda.

Always inoculate your kittens before selling. Don't get the reputation for selling sick cats. Our kittens are given two shots of feline distemper tissue vaccine at three months. Be sure that your veterinarian uses this and no substitute. Ask to see the bottle or individual doses.

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CASEY, RICHEST CAT, DECLARED LEGALLY DEAD

A 14-year-old cat, the owner of an eight-room house has been given up for dead in his home town of Viroqua, Wisconsin.

He was Casey who created a legal problem when he disappeared one day last summer.

He had been provided with the house by the terms of the will of his late owner, Morton Shirks, a railroad conductor. So it remained for the Courts to declare him legally dead.

Shirks picked up the cat as a kitten in the yards, and brought him home to Mrs. Shirks. When Mrs. Shirks died, Shirks made a deal with Leonard Nuttstad. He rented his house to the Nuttstads with the provision that he could remain living with them.

Shirks died three years ago. His will provided that the house with all its furnishings should belong to the cat until death, and could not be sold in the cat's lifetime.

This could have been for years, because Casey was the conservative type, preferring to sit and think rather than to be out carousing at all hours. The cat always looked up and down before crossing the street and never had dealings with strangers.

The Nuttstads took good care of the animal, which was the special pet of their daughter Marilyn, 8. Nuttstad paid his rent to two nieces and a nephew of Shirks in Chicago. He deducted a small amount monthly for Casey's care and feeding.

When the cat disappeared, the matter of dividing the estate came up. The property was left to the Chicago relatives, Ann and John Austegen and Mrs. Evelyn Spakenbell, who wanted to sell. The cat had to be proved dead.

Judge Lincoln Neprud in Vernon County court took due note of the cat's advanced age, and remarked that a vigorous anti-rat campaign last summer

had accidentally caused the deaths of several pets.

"I cannot in all fairness apply the 7-year presumptive death ruling to Casey," said Judge Neprud. He therefore ordered the estate, including the house and its furnishings and 40 shares of newspaper syndicate stock, divided among the heirs.

BOSTON PLAGUED WITH CAT TYPHOID

Cat owners in the Greater Boston area have been warned that an epidemic of so-called "cat typhoid" has taken a heavy toll of pet cats there. The disclosure was made by Dr. William D. Jones, veterinarian of the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

Dr. Jones warned that it is impossible successfully to treat the malady at home as effective treatment, including the replacement of lost body fluids by injections, is available only in animal hospitals.

The disease, known to veterinarians as *tanleucopenia*, is similar to that of leukemia in humans, destroying the white blood corpuscles. Symptoms are similar to those attending poisoning, including vomiting and loss of weight and appetite.

The disease, contracted from the soil or from garbage containers, is highly contagious among cats, but is not communicable to other animals or humans.

CLIPPED CLAWS

Keep the claws of your cat clipped. Start this process when it is a kitten. Use clippers, but be careful of the tiny pink vein that extends from the foot into the claw.

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KIT-CAT NOTES

By RALPH G. MANGOLD

Cattery, a word coined not many years ago, has come to mean a place where finer cats are bred. Neatly appointed cages are provided, either in a secluded place in the home, or in a special building with modern comforts.

Natural selection is now supplemented by public taste. Cats are now bred for better type.

Cat fanciers generally know what each breeder has in the cattery. Stud-books are studied for certain bloodlines and lineage.

At a meeting of the North Shore Cat Club it was stated that "while it was in Egypt that the cat reached the highest importance both as a mouser, and as an object of affection and veneration; thousands of years have produced a beautiful show animal."

Show cats are now divided by the character and color of their coat, and the comparative length of the tail, into certain varieties recognized by fanciers according to rules formulated by the clubs which hold annual competitive shows all over the United States, Canada and Britain.

The antiquity of the cat is always intriguing. Sanskrit manuscripts of In-

dia mention them, some 2,000 years before Christ. From India, they were taken to China, about the year 500 A.D.

Many countries did not have cats, owing to the antipathy to the Egyptian religion. Although the Jews spent many years in bondage in Egypt, nowhere does the Bible mention the cat.

British Commend 41 Naval War Cats With Grave Plaque

"Here lie the last remains of forty-one heroes who played their part in killing the enemy and helping the Navy to win victory. They died on active service."

This is the inscription placed on the special marker of the communal grave of forty-one cats who were recently put to death at the request of naval authorities by the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals at Havant, near Portsmouth.

Reason for this honor was because of the valiant service to Britain during the war by clearing the Havant Naval Base of rats and keeping it clear of them. The waste food attracted swarms of rats during the early stages of the war before the "naval felines" arrived on the scene to take over.

Nicknames of the cats are also recorded in the inscription.

LABCO CONTEST ENDS FEB. 14

The name contest sponsored by Labco Products Company, 281 Franklin Street, Boston, Mass., closes February 14. It is not too late to enter this contest. Use a post card or send a letter and write as many names as you desire.

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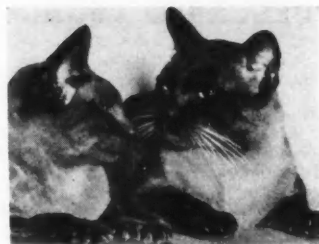
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English Cat Walks 25 Miles to Return to Home of Owner

This is the story of an English domestic cat that walked 25 miles in order to be with its owners, the original tale of which appeared recently in *The Yorkshire Observer*, thoughtfully forwarded by Mr. James H. Greenwood of New York City.

Monty, the three-year-old male cat is owned by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dunning, who resided in the town of Morton. One day last June they moved to the town of Bingley, and in making the change presented the cat to relatives living in the town of Winterburn, 25 miles away.

The day after Monty's arrival at his new home, he disappeared. Five months passed when the Dunnings returned to Morton for a visit with Mrs. Dunning's father, a few blocks from the original Dunning homestead.

There was the plaintive "meow" of a cat outside the door. Mrs. Dunning recognized the call. It was Monty. He had come back home. Needless to say, Monty is now home again with the Dunnings in Bingley.

The Dunnings vow that Monty will not be presented to relatives again. Fortunately, though for Monty, the Dunnings were thoughtful of visiting Mrs. Dunning's father, otherwise he would have had another 25 mile walk ahead of him.

1947 ALL-CANADIAN COMING NEXT MONTH

Outstanding cats of the Dominion of Canada, rated on the strength of competition in shows will be announced in the March issue of *Cats Magazine*, to be known as the 1947 All-Canadian Cattery.

The 1947 All-Canadian Cattery will be a sectional grouping of the All-America Cattery, and will take its place along with the All-Eastern, All-Midwestern, All-Southern and All-Western sectionals.

Eligible cats for the All-Canadian are those owned only by Canadians. Cats bred in the United States or England are eligible provided they are owned by Canadians. In return, Canadian cats may acquire points in competition in shows in the United States, just as United States cats may win points by scoring in Canadian shows.



Owing to the fact that 1947 was the first year of the return of interest in the Fancy in Canada since the War, the All-Canadian Cattery for 1947 will have many vacancies in the listings. It is doubtful if more than 20 cats will receive awards, if that many. Only one show was held in Canada this year, the Royal Canadian Cat Club event in conjunction with the Winter Fair at Toronto.

Next year the possibilities will be brighter, with an ACA show definitely scheduled in conjunction with the Canadian National to be held in Toronto late this summer. Although this forthcoming exhibition will be held in 1947, the rankings will be applied to the 1948 All-Canadian and 1948 All-America.

Like in the other sections, ribbons will be awarded 1947 All-Canadian choices. Color selected is seal-brown, with lettering in silver, a striking com-

bination that will prove extremely popular with the Dominion's fancy. Ribbon colors of other sections were announced last month.

Certificates of Award likewise will be given the owners of the winning cats of Canada, and in turn the "degree" of A-C 1947 may be included by the owner to the cat's name.

Formal presentation of the ribbons and certificates to the owners of the winning cats of the Dominion of Canada will probably be made to those present at the show in connection with the Canadian National, as a feature of that event. It is expected that a number of All-America, All-Midwestern and All-Eastern awards likewise will be made at this event, pending, of course, the decision of those winning owners in the United States who indicate they will attend the late summer feline fiesta in Toronto.

It is expected that the strongest competition in the All-Canadian this year will be provided among the blues, blacks, and possibly chinchillas and red tabby divisions. Seal point Siamese loom the strongest contenders among the shorthairs with very little competition expected in the domestic shorts.

TIN BAN REMOVED

The Civilian Production Administration on December 24 removed all tinplate controls which previously had channelled the major portion of tinmill output into the production of cans for essential and perishable food.

This action, accomplished by amending the tin container order (M-81), permits the use of cans for packing pet foods and a number of other food products previously banned under the order. Remaining unchanged in order M-81 are the restrictions which regulate the amount of tin coating to be used in tinplate for cans, and also the restrictions regulating the sizes of tin containers. These controls were retained, CPA said, because they offered the best methods of conserving pig tin, which is still in short supply.

ECZEMA

It is generally regarded that eczema is the result of a deficiency in the diet. It first resembles dandruff. Often the cat scratches at the infected area. Scales and tiny pimples follow. An ointment or similar preparation will soothe the skin but will not cure the condition.

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uted much to the national picture in regard to the All-America and the sectional probables in the East, Midwest and South. Favorites continue to hold up in their respective classes and several champions and double champions were introduced by wins in their respective classes.

In some instances commanding leads were established by certain cats, and unless a serious reversal of form is shown, definite decisions have already been reached. It is not likely that the returns from the far west can change the high point ranking of several strong contestants in the blue-eye and orange-eye white classes in the Midwest, South and East.

Strenuous competition in the Midwest should be provided by blues and blacks, with Siamese showing heavy in the East and Far West. Whites and reds may furnish the strongest competition in the South.

Results of early December shows follow:

KEYSTONE STATE

Nov. 22-23 (CFA)

Judge — MISS DOROTHY HUNT

Best Cat — Baile Fan Bright Eyes, chinchilla female, Mrs. J. J. Mayer.

Best O.S. Cat — Delphi Omar, sh. silv. Mrs. Emily Weich.

Best Champion — Dbl. Ch. Wan Tutsawan, b.p. male, Miss Elsa Wunderlich.

Best O.S. Champion — Ch. Kingsway Fella, brown tabby, C. W. Hall.

Best Novice — Glen Echo's Sunny's Boi, blue male, Mrs. T. J. Moloney.

Best O.S. Novice — Kute Kit Honey Girl, tortoiseshell, Mrs. H. E. Nack.

Best Kitten — Fourpaws Grisette of Maryland, red female, Mrs. Josephine Barclay.

Best O.S. Kitten — Erdmorr's Gay Mala Gi Gi, red tabby, Dr. B. A. Sulid.

Best Neuter — Glen Echo Starlight, sh. silv. spay, Mrs. T. J. Moloney.

Best For. S.H. — Dbl. Ch. Wan Tutsawan.

Best O.S. For. S.H. — Cymri Ling Sao, s.p. male, Mrs. Lillian E. Pedulla.

Best Dom. S.H. — Teemo of Go-Seek-Us, silv. tabby male, Mrs. J. J. Mayer.

Best O.S. Dom. S.H. — Blando O'Acuocar, S.H. white, Miss Mildred Avery.

SOLID COLOR OF SOUTH

Nov. 29-30 (CFA)

Judge — MRS. MABEL DAVIDSON

Best Cat — Ch. Dixi-Land's Pearl Harbor York.

Best O.S. — Ch. Floridanus Fleur de Lis.

Best Champion — Ch. Dixi-Land's Pearl Harbor York.

Best O.S. Champion — Ch. Floridanus Fleur de Lis.

Best Novice — Dixi-Land's White Historian II.

Best Neuter — Silver Moth's Charrene.

Best Kitten — We-Je-La's Bo Peep, blue female, Mrs. J. Harold Street.

Best O.S. Kitten — We-Je-La's Cupidon, blue, Mrs. W. H. Hulbert.

Best Short Hair — Georgiana.

CLEVELAND PERSIAN SOCIETY

Nov. 30-Dec. 1 (CFA)

Judge — MRS. MARGUERITE SAXBY-MABIE

Best Cat — Chally Blue Boy, blue male, Mrs. Walter Meyers.

Best O.S. Cat — Gray Haven's Sophisticate Lady, black, Mrs. Zella Gray.

Best Champion — Ch. Winston Churchill of Go-Seek-Us, black male, Miss J. J. Mayer.

Best O.S. Champion — Ch. Coral-mere's Dawn of Wycliffe, cream, Mrs. L. P. Pelton.

Best Novice — Gray Haven's Regent of Nigrette, black male, Mrs. W. E. Limpert.

Best O.S. Novice — Nigrette's Angel Bear, blue, Mrs. W. E. Limpert.

Best Kitten — Midnight of Lake Erie, black male, Mrs. Robert Coulter.

Best O.S. Kitten — Barbe Bleue Samantha, black, Mrs. W. E. Limpert.

Best Siamese — Ki-Weena, s.p. female, Mrs. Robert Huffman.

Best Dom. S.H. — Veemo of Go-Seek-Us, silv. tabby male, Mrs. J. J. Mayer.

Best Neuter — Nigrette's Black Mischief, black, Mrs. Donald Zell.

BERESFORD CAT CLUB

Dec. 7-8 (ACA)

Judge — MRS. SILAS ANDREWS

Best Cat — Cinders of White Lawn, black male, Mrs. W. E. Kauffman.

Best O.S. Cat — Elco's Lassie II, red, Mrs. Ella Conroy.

Best Novice — Kansas City Sky Dust of Dubuque, blue female, Mrs. Walter Cary.

Best O.S. Novice — Flossie's Boy Alexander "Q," cream, Hattiemae Quick.

Best Kitten — Spoon River's Sun-tan, cream male, Mrs. C. T. Bechtold.

Best O.S. Kitten — Oaklawn's Blue Mist, blue, Mrs. John Trimmer.

Best Champion — Ch. Erdmorr's Thunderbolt, red tabby male, Mrs. Mabel Erdman.

Best O.S. Champion — Ch. Dixi-Land's First Lady of Pets Beautiful, g.e. white female, C. X. Mackiewicz.

Best Dom. S.H. — Lucifer, black male, Mrs. Anna Lauda.

Best Manx — Ch. Prince of Manx of Glen Orry, male, Misses Carlson.

Best Siamese — Ch. Vee Roi's Bonnie Jean, b.p. female, Mrs. R. H. Hecht.

Best Abyssinian — Fairchild's Debra II, female, Mrs. Stanley Gibson.

Best Spay — Nicolette, smoke, Mrs. Ruby L. Taylor.

Best Neuter — Claude De Bussey, Siamese, Miss E. Yarger.

EMPIRE CAT CLUB

Dec. 5-6 (CFA)

Judge — MRS. LAURA J. GRAHAM

Best Cat — Ch. Daybreak of Plumfield, cream male, Mrs. Mabel A. Lafayette.

Best O.S. Cat — Sissy's Star of Abbas, o.e. white, Shirley Denhard.

Best Champion — Ch. Daybreak of Plumfield.

Best Novice — Periwinkle Pantalons, blue male, Miss Helen Tanner.

Best Kitten — Hilodell Sir Robin of Callavorn, red tabby male, R. B. Treat, Jr.

Best O.S. Kitten — Hermescryst Alida, black, Mrs. F. M. Hermes.

Best For. S.H. — Ch. Newton's Yan Tana of Chindwin, s.p. Siamese, Everett M. Battery.

Best Dom. S.H. — Ch. Silver Boy Brutus, silv. tabby male, Mrs. Helen M. Picciano.

Best Neuter — Lavender Silver Briar, chinchilla, Miss Helen Laffin.

COTTON STATES

Nov. 29-30 (CFA)

Judge — MR. H. E. BECKER

Best Cat — Dixi-Land's White Historian, o.e. white male, Mrs. J. H. Revington.

Best O.S. Cat — Silver Moth's Charrene, peke red, Mrs. Florence Kemmer.

Best Champion — Ch. Dixi-Land's Pearl Harbor Yank, blue male, Mrs. J. H. Revington.

Best O.S. Champion — Ch. Floridanus Fleur de Lis, b.e. white, Mrs. Maud R. Barney.

Best Novice — Mei Li Meiking, s.p. Siamese male, Mrs. Florence Kemmer.

Best O.S. Novice — Polychrome Polly Anna, red tabby female, Mrs. Earl Posey.

Best Kitten — Monolith's Frost Cotton, chinchilla male, Mrs. E. C. Shear-in.

Best O.S. Kitten — Ionantha, blue, Mrs. C. R. Fitts.

Best Neuter — Honey Bunch, o.e. white, Mrs. F. M. Dunaphant.

Best Foreign S.H. — Mei Li Meiking.

Best O.S. For. S.H. — The Farm's Lyon of Wijiji, Abyssinian male, Miss Winifred Porter.

Best Domestic S.H. — Georgiana, black female, Miss Jerri Hulbert.

Best O.S. Dom. S.H. — Sweetie Pie, blue, Mrs. Edith Griffin.

Best Short Hair — Mei Li Meiking.

CORRECTIONS

We apologize for referring to the Garden State Cat Club as the Garden City Cat Club. Also in the Solid Color of the East, Best Champion was Ch. Periwinkle Paleface, o.e., white male, owned by Mrs. Rita Swenson. These errors were in the January 1947 issue.

THE CAT IN THE TREE

(The Story of the Cat in the Tree can best be told by Miss Dorothy Knox whose column, I Believe Everything is a regular feature of The Charlotte (N.C.) News. This story is reproduced from the issue dated November 18, 1946. Through the efforts of Mrs. Carroll Wright of the Mecklenburg Humane Society, Charlotte, Cats Magazine was able to procure the interesting photograph.)

"Since cats are my weakness I think *The News* picture of the year was that of the cat being rescued from the tree. Did you notice the cat was looking smack in the camera, stealing the scene from the rescuer? The sight of the cameraman brought out all the ham in her. Anyone who knows cats could look at that picture and tell the cat was beautiful and knew it, just the type to go galloping up a tree and then sit there and yowl for help.

"Realizing from *The News* picture that the cat had personality-plus, I phoned Mrs. Carroll Wright of the Mecklenburg Humane Society, to find out what happened to her. For the benefit of any reader who may have missed that picture, the cat had hung around the C. W. Allison home, at 822 Henley Place, for a day or so before she chased a squirrel up a tree and there she sat half the day and all night, getting dirtier and dirtier from the smoke, calling more and more pitifully for help. Long before 8:30 next morning the Allisons called Mrs. Wright, who couldn't get hold of the man at the Animal Shelter, so went over herself. She tried to coax the cat down, but the cat said she was cold, tired, hungry, dirty, lonesome, neglected and nobody loo-oo-ved her. Seeing the cat was the type who kept talking about her troubles until some of her human friends came to her aid, Mrs. Wright went in search of a step-ladder and someone to climb the tree.

"That's when Ray Pierce volunteered. Not only was Ray an expert tree climber, but he understands cats. He talked to the cat and the cat talked to him, telling him what an horrible experience she'd had. When Ray reached her, he petted her and told her to relax and let him take over the situation. Then he picked her up gently and zipped her up in his leather jacket so she couldn't see the ground. But the cat had already caught sight of gal-reporter Freck Sproles and Cameraman Don Martin, so what did she do but turn around and stick her head out from under Ray's jacket so she could look squarely in the camera.

"As soon as they took her in the Allison's house and let her rest a bit, and have some milk, she began to purr. Mrs. Wright took her to the Humane Society's office, gave her some milk and meat and she purred until she rattled. Then she curled up by the radiator and slept up a storm. She was so exhausted and had such confidence in Mrs. Wright, that she didn't even wake up when folks came in the office and looked at her. When Mrs. Wright took her home with her that night, the cat rode on the back of the seat just behind Mrs. Wright's head and purred loudly into her ear. There was no doubt the cat was somebody's pet, she was so loving and gentle and had such nice manners.

"As soon as Mrs. Wright reached her apartment, the phone began to ring. Nobody claimed the cat but lots of people wanted her after seeing her pictures in *The News*. Since Mrs. Wright had a small apartment, shared by her dog, Boots, she let Mrs. Mary Robinson, of 1201 South Tryon Street, keep the cat overnight with the understanding that if the owner appeared, she'd give it up. The next day, Sam Fesperman, of 822 Queens Road, identified his cat by some clipping he'd done on her fur. The cat's name is Bama, short for Alabama. Mrs. Fesperman's home state. Bama recognized Sam with love and affection and rode home, sitting beside him in the taxi like a perfect lady. Only Mrs. Robinson was left lonely and forlorn.

"But the story has a sequel. The next night Mrs. Wright heard a quiet knocking on her door. There stood Mr. and Mrs. Fesperman, Mrs. Robinson and Bama, come to call. And



such a Bama! She had been washed until she was fluffy and white as new snow. She was rested, refreshed, well-fed and obviously enjoyed being the center of attraction. She was a big, beautiful baby and knew it, because she was humming again. But tonight everyone was happy, even Mrs. Robinson. Because the Fesperman's had given her Bama. They had been wondering what to do with the cat. She was such a baby and demanded so much attention, and pretty soon there'd be another baby at the Fesperman home, demanding a lot of attention.

"When Mrs. Wright told me this delightful story she concluded, 'I got such a kick out of it. It's folks like these who make my job worth while. I get all of the distress and it's wonderful when folks let me share their pleasure. How well I understand!'"

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